FORT ROYAL COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

JOB DESCRIPTION: TEACHING ASSISTANT GRADE 1 - CLASS BASED

Conditions of Service: NJC for Local Government Services

Term Time only (30 hours)

Point Range: 1 - 4

JOB PURPOSE

To support the ethos of the school and work supportively with the classroom teacher in their responsibility for the development and education process by providing care and supervision skills to children, including those who have special physical, emotional and educational needs, by utilising a good standard of practical knowledge and skills.

OUTLINE RESPONSIBILITIES AND TASKS

Under the direction and control of the classroom teacher or Lead Teaching Assistant:

- Your primary duty will be to support your teacher and your Lead Teaching Assistant to deliver and organise the learning for pupils in your class.
- Ensure that pupils are supported in their learning and care as needed but also ensuring that their independence and general development is also supported.
- Work with individuals, small groups and the whole class on occasion (either in class, in the wider school environment or off site).
- Have an understanding of the curriculum, the assessment framework and the next steps (short and longer term) for each individual pupil.
- Take a collective responsibility to ensure that risks are identified and managed and that the pupils are cared for both in terms of wellbeing and physically.
- Support with the location/creation of resources and learning materials including individual resources and materials.
- In liaison with class teacher and Lead Teaching Assistant, assess and record pupils work and progress.
- Contribute to class discussion on progress, behaviour, and identification of issues and hazards etc.
- Use I.C.T to support children's learning.
- Support communication by the use of alternative and augmentative systems.
- Join a group of other TAs who have responsibility for a communal activity or part
 of the school (e.g. for hydro pool, literacy, structured learning)
- Liaise with external agencies and professionals during visits to class and when observing pupils.

- If requested, support lunch time clubs.
- Assist at an appropriate level with the provision of general care and welfare of children including:
 - i. Assistance with the personal hygiene routine, e.g. toilet training, changing of any children, dressing and undressing;
 - ii. The changing of soiled clothing including its disposal in an appropriate way;
 - iii. Assisting with children's injuries and, where qualified, administering basic first aid:
 - iv. (following consultation, training and agreement) assisting in the administering of medicines under the direction of the appropriate medical staff:
 - v. Assisting with the identification and monitoring of children's general health and welfare.
 - Take an active interest in your own professional development and seek to develop your knowledge and skills in all required areas but also develop a specialism(s) that match current school priorities.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

No specific qualification required. However, you will be encouraged to achieve a recognised qualification and support will be offered for you to do this whilst at Fort Royal.

SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITY

None

SUPERVISION RECEIVED

Classroom teacher/lead classroom teaching assistant

PRINCIPAL CONTACTS

Pupils, classroom teacher/Lead Teaching Assistant, other teaching assistants.

APPRAISALS

Annual appraisal involving an evaluation of feedback from class teacher and Lead Teaching Assistant, as well as self-reflection against relevant standards and your capacity to support the school priorities.